

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Community Technology Centers Program

Project Abstracts -- FY 99 Awards

The Community Technology Centers (CTC) program was established to provide, through the creation and expansion of community technology centers, access to computers and technology for children and adults in low-income communities. In the first year of the program, 750 applications from all 50 states were received and reviewed by the U.S. Department of Education. The Secretary gave preference to applications that met one or both of two competitive priorities: projects that expanded or established Community Technology Centers in a federally-designated Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community and projects that demonstrated substantial community support. 40 applicants received awards. The 1999 CTC grantees are:

Science Museum of Minnesota

30 East 10th Street
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2265
(St. Paul, MN Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Natalie Rusk, (651) 221-4710, nrusk@smm.org

Project Partners:

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$485,040 (FY99 Award: \$211,908)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$326,444 (FY 99: \$99,037)

The project will expand STUDIO 3D (Digital, Design, and Development), an after-school outreach program providing computer access for adolescents and their families in low-income, inner-city areas of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Two new community technology centers will be created and STUDIO 3D will be made available on a mobile lab.

Fairfield University

Psychology Department
North Beacon Road
Fairfield, CT 06430-5195
(Bridgeport, CT Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Dr. Judy Primavera, (203) 254-4000, jprimavera@fair1.fairfield.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$364,080 (FY99 Award: \$166,599)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$197,133 (FY 99: \$73,629)

Fairfield University's ABCD Literacy Technology Training Center will provide computers, Internet access, and training to low-income families in the Bridgeport, Connecticut Enterprise Community. Building on a collaborative partnership between the University and a non-profit agency, Action for Bridgeport Community Development, Inc. (ABCD), the project will create

“satellite” computer centers in Head Start/School Readiness classrooms that enhance both the computer and “traditional” literacy of parents and children.

Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority

P.O. Box 1218

Morristown, TN 37816-1218

(Rutledge, TN Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Ray McElhaney, (423) 587-4500

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$889,133 (FY99 Award: \$ 299,992)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$459,600 (FY 99: \$153,200)

In an area recognized by the Appalachian Regional Commission as particularly “distressed,” a Technical Education Center (ATEC) and three satellite centers will be developed. Serving an Enterprise Community, the centers will place a special emphasis on increasing the computer literacy of female head-of-households and other disadvantaged individuals.

Casa Grande Elementary School District 4

1460 North Pinal Avenue

Casa Grande, AZ 85222

Project Director: Pamela Simmons, (520) 836-2111, psimmons@cgelem.k12.az.us

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$783,032 (FY99 Award: \$287,473)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$710,081 (FY 99: \$259,819)

The Central Arizona Community Technology Initiative (CACTI) will establish Community Technology Centers in three rural and Native American communities of Arizona. The centers will serve at-risk children, the working poor, and those without access to computers. Instructional technology at the centers will be used for academic enrichment, workforce development, and GED completion. Students taking A+ certification classes will upgrade donated computers to give to families in need.

United Way of Midlands

1800 Main Street

P.O. Box 152

Columbia, SC 29202

(Columbia, SC Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Michael Gray, (803) 733-5422, Mgray@uway.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$ 643,780 (FY 99 Award: \$226,603)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$340,300 (FY 99: \$109,650)

Fast Forward, a project of United Way of Midlands, will increase access to information technology for adults and children in the inner city of Columbia, South Carolina -- a designated federal Empowerment Zone (EZ). The community technology centers will offer after-school enrichment, adult education, and technical training. Midlands Technical College will teach courses at the centers leading to an Associate’s Degree in Computer Science.

Armory High School Sports Foundation

216 Ft. Washington Avenue

New York, NY 10032-3704

(New York – Washington Heights Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Dr. Norbert Sander, (212) 923-1803

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$903,392 (FY99 Award: \$305,426)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$345,100 (FY 99: \$131,000)

In the Washington Heights section of New York, a Community Technology Center will offer a complete schedule of computer skills building workshops, a technology-infused early language intervention curriculum for pre-school children, and a business applications class. The area to be served has a large Dominican population with more than 50% of the families receiving AFDC.

Charles A. Hayes Family Investment Center

626 W. Jackson Boulevard

Chicago, IL 60615

(Chicago, IL Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: William Rhodes, (773) 285-1167, brhodes@thecha.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$682,982 (FY99 Award: \$263,083)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$267,997 (FY 99: \$78,925)

The Charles Hayes Family Investment Center will expand its current services in Chicago's Empowerment Zone by creating four new satellite centers. The Chicago Consortium for Higher Education will provide access to an interactive videoconference network run on dedicated T-1 lines.

Blackfoot School District 55

270 E. Bridge

Blackfoot, ID 83221

Project Director: Dr. Betsy Goeltz, (208) 782-9548, goelb@d55.k12.id.us

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$900,000 (FY99 Award: \$300,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$481,130 (FY 99: \$156,876)

A Family Technology Center (FTC) would be built to serve American Indian and Hispanic individuals in a low-income, rural area in southeastern Idaho. The Center would draw students and community members living on the Shoshone-Bannock Reservation and migrant farming community. The FTC would have a goal of increasing access to information technology and using the technology to improve academic achievement and job skills.

Massachusetts Easter Seal Society, Inc.

484 Main Street

Worcester, MA 01608

Project Director: Jeff McAuslin, (508) 751-6448, Jeff@eastersealsma.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$460,545 (FY99 Award: \$192,129)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$692,036 (FY 99: \$174,752)

The Easter Seals Assistive Technology Center, currently focusing on individuals with disabilities, would be expanded to serve the broader community. The center will provide after-school enrichment for students, adult education, and career development.

Desert Sands Unified School District

47950 Dune Palms Road
La Quinta, CA 92253
(Riverside County, CA Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Dr. George Araya, (760) 771-8577, george@surf.dsusd.k12.ca.us

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$578,265 (FY99 Award:\$192,755)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$226,506 (FY 99: \$59,627)

Technology centers will be opened to provide opportunities for a largely Hispanic population in a rural Empowerment Zone plagued by illiteracy and high unemployment.

Board of Education, Prince George's County Public Schools

14201 School Lane
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Project Director: Judy Finch, (301) 386-1608, jfinch@pgcps.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$542,541 (FY99 Award: \$290,067)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$291,282 (FY 99: \$109,032)

Focusing on Langley Park, with 700 elementary school children from 36 countries and speaking 21 different languages, a community technology center will provide after-school access and computer-based enrichment exercises in basic math and English. The Center would also serve adults who want to complete their GED, improve their English, or learn basic computer repair skills. Adults will upgrade older computers for donation to needy families.

Harlem Center for Education

1 East 104th Street, Room 382
New York, NY 10029
(Harlem, NY Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Paula Martin, (212) 348-9200, PaulaJ24@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$1,061,130 (FY99 Award: \$353,710)
Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$473,412 (FY 99: \$157,804)

A new center will be created in East Harlem, a designated Empowerment Zone, to better prepare teachers to use technology and provide computer literacy courses to area residents. Services will also include adult education, after-school enrichment, and small business assistance.

New York City Board of Education

433 West 123rd Street

New York, NY 10027

(Harlem, NY Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Paul Reese, (212) 865-4351, preese@rbs.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$ 899,812 (FY99 Award: \$299,908)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$ 2,212,870 (FY 99: \$1,254,684)

Community School District 5 in New York will create a Renaissance Community Technology Center. School-to-Work students will gain valuable work experience by reconditioning donated equipment, maintaining center computers, and providing technical support. Using the space of a Parent Literacy Center currently under renovation, the center will also offer video-conferencing equipment for distance learning.

Ganado Unified School District

P.O. Box 1757

Ganado, AZ 86505

(Window Rock, AZ Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Donna Muri, (520) 755-1096, pmb@cia-g.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$ 762,970 (FY99 Award: \$279,340)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$570,363 (FY 99: \$177,408)

Located in the Navajo Nation, and the Window Rock Enterprise Community, the Ganado Technology Center Project will focus on improving a school-based computer lab, with expanded service to the wider community. Project objectives include increasing student achievement, encouraging the participation of adults in information technology training, and increasing home-access to computers.

Edudyne Foundation

2232 Salt Air Drive

Santa Ana, CA 92705

(Santa Ana, CA Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Kenneth Allen, (714) 703-5093, kallen2232@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$944,440 (FY99 Award: \$298,120)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$762,370 (FY 99: \$260,260)

A community technology center program will be created in an economically distressed area. The center will help Spanish-speaking students, and their parents, to improve their English-language proficiency and computer literacy. With donations from local industry, home-ownership of computers will be increased.

The Children's Aid Society

105 East 22nd Street

New York, NY 10010-5413

(Harlem, NY Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Philip Coltoff, (212) 949-4933, pcoltoff@childrensaidsociety.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$894,094 (FY99 Award: \$286,657)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$925,284 (FY 99: \$246,748)

The Children's Aid Society will expand an existing center and build three new satellite centers. Serving the Harlem Empowerment Zone the centers will work with Computers for Youth to increase home access, improve computer literacy among residents, and increase participant exposure to information technology careers through "Silicon Alley" mentors.

Mott Community College

1401 East Court Street

Flint, MI 48503-2089

(Flint, MI Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Dave Holland, (810) 762-0554, dholland@mcc.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$631,047 (FY99 Award: \$177,813)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$538,297 (FY 99: \$146,998)

Mott Community College is partnering with several community organizations to serve residents of the Flint Enterprise Community through the creation of three new centers, one of which focuses on serving those with disabilities. Mott Community College will serve as the hub site providing internet access, two-way audio/video conferencing, and technical support.

Family Solutions

2100 Front Street

Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221

(Akron, OH Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Jill Dickie, (330) 928-1159, FamilySolu@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$ 664,251 (FY99 Award: \$298,400)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$363,305 (FY 99: \$105,417)

Family Solutions, a United Way family service agency with a 78-year history, will develop two community technology centers. One will be located in the Akron Enterprise Community. The center will serve youth and adults who will learn to use information technology tools through digital photo imaging/editing, web page design, and graphic design.

Peninsula College

1502 East Lauridsen Blvd.

Port Angeles, WA 98362-6698

Project Director: James Walton, (360) 417-6235, jwalton@ctc.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$600,000 (FY99 Award: \$200,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$630,000 (FY 99: \$210,000)

Peninsula College, in partnership with four Native American Tribes and the Washington Employment Agency, will create a network of community technology centers serving disadvantaged individuals in the remote communities of the North Olympic Peninsula.

Future Teachers of Chicago

513 W. 72nd Street
Chicago, IL 60621

Project Director: Ruth Gibson, (773) 651-0954, FTC@Ameritech.Net

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$890,052 (FY99 Award: \$300,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$384,000 (FY 99: \$103,000)

Future Teachers of Chicago, City Colleges of Chicago, the Chicago Public Schools, and other partners plan to implement project LIFTT (Learning is Fun Through Technology). The LIFTT collaboration will establish computer learning centers in four Park District sites. College participants will gain hands-on teaching experience in the use of technology as they prepare to become inner-city teachers.

YMCA of the East Bay

2230 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94612
(Oakland, CA Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Glen Price, (510) 451-8041, ymcaebay@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$898,237 (FY99 Award: \$298,999)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$834,147 (FY 99: \$263,125)

In the San Francisco East Bay area, the “digital divide” is particularly pronounced with flourishing information technology companies existing near pockets of urban poverty. Targeting communities in West Oakland and South Richmond, a unique collaborative will develop four, linked community technology centers with a focus on after-school enrichment and job training for adults.

Southeast Regional Resource Center

210 Ferry Way Suite 200
Juneau, AK 99801
(Juneau, AK Enterprise Community)

Project Director: JoAnn Henderson, (907) 586-6806, joannah@akrac.k12.ak.us

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$867,267 (FY99 Award: \$299,205)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$773,453 (FY 99: \$261,491)

Two new community technology centers will be created in Juneau, an Enterprise Community, and Ketchikan, an economically distressed area. These centers will provide access to technology and related learning services. The Centers will be networked with educational institutions and social services agencies to better serve disadvantaged Southeast Alaskans.

ASPIRA Association Inc.

1441 I Street NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005
(Washington, D.C. Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Johnny Vilamil, (202) 835-3600, Jvilamil@aspira.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$920,033 (FY99 Award: \$299,769)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$413,999 (FY 99: \$120,260)

ASPIRA will replicate their community technology center model, building four new centers in the mostly Latino, Empowerment Zone neighborhoods of Chicago, Philadelphia, Bridgeport, Connecticut and Carolina, Puerto Rico. Existing ASPIRA community centers will be expanded to include computer learning rooms with internet connected computers and educational software.

Chicago Commons

915 N.Wolcott Avenue
(Chicago, IL Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Don Duster, (773) 342-5330, Dduster845@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$704,181 (FY99 Award: \$297,242)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$436,292 (FY 99: \$140,321)

Three new community technology centers will be created in Chicago Commons settlement houses, which are located in Chicago's Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community. Each site will have a trainer working closely with settlement house staff to assist residents use information technology to improve their lives.

Detroit International Stake Adult Housing Corporation

16631 Lahser Road
Detroit, MI 48219
(Detroit, MI Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Gwen Simpson, (313) 531-5903, vanrossum@rldsdetroit.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$182,824 (FY99 Award: \$75,880)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$151,156 (FY 99: \$42,520)

The project will expand an existing Neighborhood Networks Computer Learning Center and a new center will be created serving Detroit's Empowerment Zone. Objectives of the project include improving the job skills of adults and enhancing the learning of students in the after-school hours.

Seattle Public Library

100 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104
(Seattle, WA Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Willeen Denton, (206) 386-4125, willeen.denton@spl.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$900,000 (FY99 Award: \$300,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$1,015,528 (FY 99: \$342,326)

A collaborative alliance has been created to expand the services and ensure the sustainability of seven existing community technology centers. The centers will serve low-income communities in Central and Southeast Seattle, part of a federally designated Enterprise Community.

Capital Area Intermediate Unit

55 Miller Street
Summerdale, PA 17093-0489

Project Director: Dr. Linda Rhodes, (717) 732-8400, linrhodes@aol.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$510,853 (FY99 Award: \$205,508)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$406,797 (FY 99: \$136,321)

In addition to building satellite centers in neighborhoods that are part of the Harrisburg Enterprise Community, the project will expand Career Cybercafe, where high-school students and other residents learn information technology skills, explore careers in technology, and are connected to e-mentors.

Sinte Gleska University

P.O. Box 490
Rosebud, SD 57570

Project Director: Mike Benge, (605) 747-2263, mbenge@rosebud.sinte.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$737,205 (FY99 Award: \$280,428)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$291,995 (FY 99: \$84,855)

Sinte Gleska, one of the first tribal colleges and located in the Rosebud Sioux Reservation, will open computer learning rooms at four of their outreach extension centers. Project goals include open access to technology, increased information technology skills, and improved retention of high school and college students.

Texas A&M

Center for Housing and Urban Development
College Station, TX 77843-3137

Project Director: Pradip Pramanik, (409) 862-2370, pramanik@archone.tamu.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$581,649 (FY99 Award: \$223,216)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$262,967 (FY 99: \$85,997)

Texas A & M will partner with numerous State and local agencies to open computer learning labs in nine existing community centers along the Texas-Mexico border. Project goals include increasing the educational level of residents, improving their job skills, and increasing access to technology.

Delaware Technical & Community College

1832 N. DuPont Parkway
Dover, Delaware 19901

Project Director: Bonnie Derbyshire, (302) 741-2855, bderbysh@outland.dtcc.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$551,679 (FY99 Award: \$242,404)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$347,796 (FY 99: \$103,893)

Delaware Technical and Community College will create a mobile community technology center that will serve distressed urban and rural communities. WHEELS (Working to Heighten Education and Employee Learning Skills) will be a custom designed vehicle capable of offering basic education, skills training, and computer literacy classes.

Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin

P.O. Box 910

Keshena, WI 54135

(Keshena, WI Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Jan Yeakey, (715) 799-5199, jyeakey@mail.wiscnet.net

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$62,228 (FY99 Award: 62,228)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$26,694 (FY 99: \$26,694)

Three community learning centers will be created in outlying community facilities to implement a technology-based education program designed to improve high school retention and completion.

Mercy Charities Housing

1028A Howard Street

San Francisco, CA 94103

(San Francisco, CA Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Patricia Harney, (415) 522-6380, PHarney@Mercyhousing.org

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$540,000 (FY99 Award: \$200,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$685,315 (FY 99: \$258,317)

Mercy Charities Housing, a non-profit dedicated to building affordable housing, will create NET (neighbors, education, and technology) centers in seven low-income housing developments.

Leadership, Education, and Athletic Partnership, Inc.

31 Jefferson Street

New Haven, CT 06511

(New Haven, CT Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Drema Brown, (203) 773-0770, drema@leap.yale.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$750,000 (FY99 Award: \$265,000)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$522,382 (FY 99: \$116,002)

Leadership, Education, and Athletic Partnership, Inc. (LEAP) currently operates a network of five LEAP Computer Learning Centers. They will expand the learning services at these centers and build two additional centers. The project will focus on ensuring the long-term sustainability of the centers so that they become a permanent community resource, like schools or libraries.

Des Moines Area Community College

2006 S. Ankeny Blvd.

Ankeny, IA 50021-3003

(Des Moines, IA Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Mary Entz, (515) 964-6476, mjentz@dmacc.dd.ia.us

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$750,696 (FY99 Award:\$252,927)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$680,053 (FY 99: \$217,997)

A large technology center will be established in the heart of the Des Moines Enterprise Community and in a satellite center nearby. In partnership with the State of Iowa Department of Workforce Development, Des Moines Area Community College will open centers that deliver educational technology to disadvantaged citizens in both urban and rural communities.

100 Black Men of Albany, New York Capital Region, Inc.

388 Clinton Avenue

Albany, NY 12206

(Albany, NY Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Gregory Fields, (581) 432-0500

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$868,727 (FY99 Award: \$296,942)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$1,053,072 (FY 99: \$400,125)

The 100 Net 2000 project will expand the 100 Black Men of Technology Center to satellite centers in inner city neighborhoods. The project is using as a framework the Urban CyperSpace Initiative, of the Center for Urban Youth and Technology at the University of Albany, which focuses on infusing advanced multimedia and telecommunications technologies into under-served communities, using community technology centers to provide opportunities for community and workforce development.

Community College of Southern Nevada

3200 E. Cheyenne Ave.

North Las Vegas, NV 89030-4296

(Clark County, NV Enterprise Community)

Project Director: Norma Buccelato, (702) 651-4394, norma_buccelato@cssn.nevada.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$491,314 (FY99 Award: \$195,871)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$535,032 (FY 99: \$188,288)

In one of the most economically distressed neighborhoods of Las Vegas, the Community College of Southern Nevada Neighborhood Educational Center will add 2 computer classrooms with full internet access, online connections to distance learning, and educational software.

Hudson County Community College

25 Journal Square

Jersey City, NJ 07360

Project Director: Estelle Greenberg, (201) 714-2103

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$895,168 (FY99 Award: \$299,563)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$1,043,726 (FY 99: \$369,000)

The Hudson County Community College is forming a county-wide partnership to develop a far-reaching network of community technology access sites. Two core sites, one in Jersey City and the other in Union City, will ultimately be working with 8 satellite centers.

DePaul University

1 East Jackson Blvd.

Chicago, IL 60604-2287

(Chicago, IL Empowerment Zone)

Project Director: Dr. Roxanne Owens, (773) 325-4329, rowens@wppost.depaul.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$739,635 (FY99 Award: \$236,050)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$560,024 (FY 99: \$132,590)

This project will expand the Learning by Association Community Technology Center at the West Town Association Site and create a new center in one of the most impoverished, mostly immigrant areas of Chicago, Humboldt Park. In addition to adult education and after-school programming, the centers will provide small business start-up assistance through connections with the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development.

Middle Rio Grande Development Foundation

P.O. Box 1199

Carrizo Springs, TX 78834

Project Director: Tammye Carpinteyro, (830) 278-6817, tcarpin@admin.hilconet.com

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$582,402 (FY99 Award: \$197,926)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$516,273 (FY 99: \$170,993)

The FUTURO project, focusing on a five county area and rural Enterprise Community, will develop five new Technology Centers, open during the after-school hours, evenings, and on weekends. Activities include a pre-school reading enhancement program, interactive videoconferencing for small business development, and webpage design.

Fairnet, Inc.

1215 Cowles Street

Fairbanks, AK 99701

Project Director: John Johnston, (907) 488-5001, fynet@vaf.edu

Total projected federal funding: 3 Years, \$498,499 (FY99 Award: \$141,799)

Total projected non-federal match: 3 Years, \$607,347 (FY 99: \$201,937)

FairNet (Electronic Community Network), the Literacy Council of Alaska, the Fairbanks Native Association, the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, and other partners have joined forces to

develop three new community technology centers and a mobile center to serve low-income neighborhoods. All centers emphasize public access, open lab time, and elder services.